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MESSAGE:

Dear Examiner Webb:

Further to our discussion of today, attached is the Amendment/Response for Application number 09/446,395. Please let me know if you have any further questions.

Thank you,
Mary B. Grant

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Title: "Liquid-Permeable Cover Sheet for Absorbent Article"

Enclosed: Amendment/Response

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Group Art Unit: 3761

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AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

- A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
- A Terminal Disclaimer and a check for \$55.00 (2814) \$110.00 (1814) to cover the requisite Government fee are also enclosed.
- Also enclosed is/are _____

- Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the \$375.00 (2801) \$750.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
- Applicant(s) previously submitted _____ on _____, for which continued examination is requested.
- Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least _____, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.
- A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (146/246) is also enclosed.
- No additional claim fee is required.

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Application No. 09/446,395

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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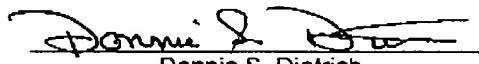
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